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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to prosecution, please amend the application as follows:

In The Specification

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 1, at line 13, insert -- 1. Field of the Invention --.

On page 1, at line 16, insert -- 2. Discussion of the Background Art --.

In The Abstract

Please amend the abstract as follows:

[Summary] ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A modular, portable device is used to measure or test components in optical networks. It contains a base module with base electronics, which features controls and a display device on the front; at least one function module, which is attached by means of a mechanical interface to the outside of the back of the base module, and contains a functional unit with measurement or test electronics, which work together with the base electronics through a functional interface, wherein the function module is detachably joined to the base module and, depending on the application, may be replaced with another function module with another functional unit.

Remarks

The specification has been amended to include headings consistent with US practice.

The Abstract of the Disclosure has been amended to eliminate reference numbers and to comply with MPEP 608.01(b).

Consideration and allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

Attached hereto is a marked up version of the changes made to the specification by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version With Markings to Show Changes Made."

Respectfully submitted,

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[Summary] ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

[The present invention concerns a] A modular, portable device [(1)] is used to measure or test components in optical networks. It contains a base module [(2)] with base electronics, which features controls and a display device on the front; at least one function module [(5, 6)], which is attached by means of a mechanical interface to the outside of the back [(4)] of the base module [(2)], and contains a functional unit with measurement or test electronics, which work together with the base electronics through a functional interface, wherein the function module [(5, 6)] is detachably joined to the base module [(2)] and, depending on the application, may be replaced with another function module [(5, 6)] with another functional unit.

[(Fig. 1)]